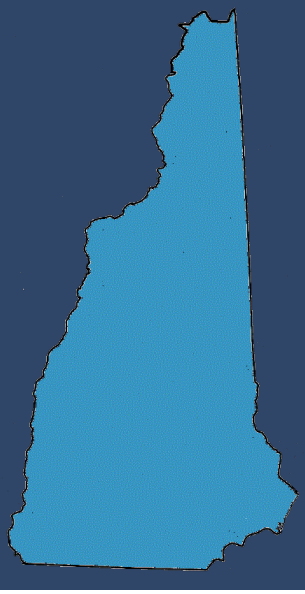

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NH Amateur

Nashua - November 14, 2015

The 40th NH Amateur Championship drew 76 players to the Nashua Holiday Inn on November 14, 2015. With this excellent turnout, the cash prizes were raised for the second year in a row. The top section was won by Christopher Wood of Marlborough with a score of 3.5 - 0.5. He thus becomes the new NH Amateur Champion. In the U1750 section, three players tied for first with 3.5 - 0.5 scores: Paul Kolojeski of Hampton, Ananth Rangan of Nashua and Abhinav Govindaraju of Concord. Finally, in the U1300 section Eugene Tappen of New London took clear first with a 4-0 score. Henry He of Andover, MA was clear 2nd with 3.5 - 0.5. Hal Terrie directed the event for the NHCA.

Messenger,Robert (1810) - Dame,Erin (1997) [E70]

NH Amateur, G/60 Nashua, NH (1), 2015-11-14

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nge2 0-0 6.Ng3 Nbd7 7.Be2 e5 8.d5 a5 9.Bg5 h6 10.Be3 Nc5 11.h4 Bd7 12.h5 g5 13.Qc2 Ng4 14.Bxg4 Bxg4 15.f3 Bd7 16.Nf5 Bxf5 17.exf5

17…e4 18.fxe4 Re8 19.0-0-0 Bxc3 20.Qxc3 Nxe4 21.Qd3 Qf6 22.g4 Qe5 23.Qd4 Ng3 24.Rhe1 Qxd4 25.Bxd4 Ne2+ 26.Kb1 Nxd4 27.Rxe8+ Rxe8 28.Rxd4 Re2 29.Kc1 Kg7 30.Rd2 Re4 31.Rg2 Rxc4+ 0-1

Becotte,Paul (1651) - Londono,Luis (1361) [D20]

NH Amateur, U1750 Nashua, NH (1), 2015-11-14

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e4 e6 4.Bxc4 h6 5.Nf3 Ne7 6.Nc3 Ng6 7.0-0 Be7 8.Be3 0-0 9.Qc2 c6 10.Rad1 Bb4 11.Ne2 Qc7 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 Nd7 14.Bd3 Rd8 15.d5 e5 16.Nb5 Qb8 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.Qxc6 a6 19.Nc7 Bb7 20.Nxa6 Bxc6 21.Nxb8 Nxb8 22.Bb6 Rd7 23.Rd2 Ba4 24.Bc4 Rxd2 25.Nxd2 Nd7 26.Be3 Rc8 27.b3 Bc6 28.a4 Bb4 29.f3 Kf8 30.Kf2 Ke7 31.Rc1 Bb7 32.Nb1 f6 33.Nc3 Ngf8 34.Nd5+ Bxd5 35.exd5 Nc5 36.Rd1 Kd6 37.Ra1 Ra8 38.f4 Nfd7 39.Kf3 e4+ 40.Kg4 g6 41.h4 f5+ 42.Kh3 h5 43.Bd4 Ba5 44.Rb1 Rb8 45.Bb5 Rb7 46.b4 Bxb4 47.Rxb4 ½-½

Hoyt,David (1524) - Kolojeski,Paul (1621) [B33]

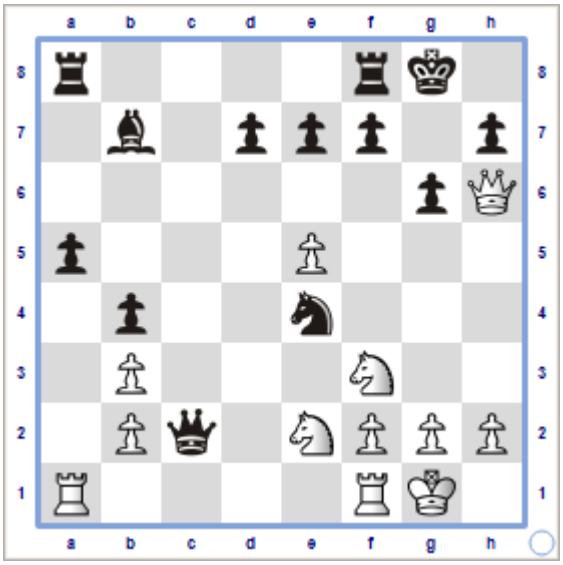
NH Amateur, U1750 Nashua, NH (1), 2015-11-14

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e5 5.Nf3 Be7 6.Nc3 Nf6 7.a3 a6 8.Bd3 d6 9.h3 h6 10.Bd2 0-0 11.0-0 Be6 12.Qc1 Nh7 13.Nd5 Bg5 14.Nxg5 Nxg5 15.f4 exf4 16.Bxf4 Ne5 17.Bxe5 dxe5 18.Nc3 Rc8 19.Qe3 Qc7 20.Rf2 Rfd8 21.Raf1 f6 22.h4 Nf7 23.Qg3 Kh8 24.Nd1 Rd7 25.Ne3 Qb6 26.Nf5 Bxf5 27.exf5 Qxb2 28.Be4 Rc3 0-1

Naylor,John (1622) - O'Neal,Brian (1397) [B34]

NH Amateur, U1750 Nashua, NH (1), 2015-11-14

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Bb5 0-0 8.0-0 a6 9.Ba4 b5 10.Bb3 Bb7 11.Qd2 Na5 12.Bh6 Nxb3 13.axb3 b4 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Nce2 a5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Qe3 Kg8 18.Qh6 Qc7 19.Nf3 Qxc2



20.Ng3 Nxg3 21.Ng5 Ne2+ 22.Kh1 Bxg2+ 23.Kxg2 Nf4+ 24.Kh1 Qc6+ 25.f3 1-0

Walton,Robert (1433) - Commisso,Michael (1651)

NH Amateur, U1750 Nashua, NH (1), 2015-11-14

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.c3 Nf6 4.Qc2 Nc6 5.Bb5 Bd7 6.d4 cxd4 7.cxd4 Rc8 8.Nc3 e6 9.Bg5 Be7 10.0-0 0-0 11.Qe2 a6 12.Ba4 Qb6

13.e5 dxe5 14.dxe5 Nd5 15.Nxd5 exd5 16.Bxe7 Rfe8 17.Bxc6 Rxe7 18.Bxd7 Rxd7 19.Rac1 Rcd8 20.Rc2 d4 21.Qd3 h6 22.Rfc1 Qb4 23.h3 Qa5 24.a3 Qb6 25.Nd2 Qe6 26.Ne4 Qxe5 27.Nc5 Rd5 28.Nxb7 Re8 29.Rc8 g6 30.Rxe8+ Qxe8 31.Nc5 Qc8 32.b4 a5 33.Rc4 axb4 34.axb4 Qd8 35.Nb3 Qb6 36.Rxd4 Rb5 37.Rd8+ Kh7 38.Qd4 Qxd4 39.Rxd4 Kg7 40.Rc4 Kf6 41.Nd4 Rb7 42.b5 Ke5 43.Rb4 Rb6 44.Kf1 Kd5 45.Ke2 Kc5 46.Nc2 Rxb5 47.Rxb5+ Kxb5 48.Ke3 Kc5 49.Ke4 Kd6 50.Ne3 Ke6 51.g4 Kf6 52.h4 Kg7 53.f4 f6 54.Kd5 Kf7 55.Kd6 g5 56.hxg5 ½-½

Rogers,Noah (1208) - Tilton,Jeromy (900) [C10]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (1), 2015-11-14

1.e4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.e5 c5 4.d4 Nc6 5.Be3 Qa5 6.Qd2 cxd4 7.Bxd4 Nxd4 8.Qxd4 Bc5 9.Bb5+ Bd7? [9...Qxb5 10.Nxb5 Bxd4 11.Nxd4 Ne7=] 10.Qxc5 Rc8 11.Bxd7+ Kxd7 12.Qxa5 a6 13.0-0-0 Ne7 14.Nf3 h6 15.Rd2 Nc6 16.Qc5 Rhd8 17.Rhd1 Ne7 18.Qb6 Rc6 19.Qxb7+ Rc7 20.Qxa6 Rb8 21.Nb5 Rcb7 22.Qd6+ Ke8 23.Nc7+ Kf8 24.c4 Rc8 25.Rc2 Rbxc7 26.c5 Kg8 27.Qb6 Nc6 28.Nd4 Nxe5 29.c6 g5 30.Qb7 g4 31.Nb5 Rxc6 32.Qxc8+ Rxc8 33.Rxc8+ Kg7 34.f4 Ng6 35.g3 e5 36.f5 Ne7 37.Rc7 Nxf5 38.Rxd5 Kf6 39.a4 Ne3 40.Rd6+ Kg7 41.a5 Nf1 42.a6 Nxh2 43.a7 Nf1 44.a8Q Nxg3 45.Rc8 Nf5 46.Rg8+ Kh7 47.Rh8+ Kg7 48.Qf8# 1-0

Fiske,Mike (1260) - Tilton,Sebastian (931) [A18]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (1), 2015-11-14

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e6 3.e4 Nc6 4.Nf3 Bc5 5.d4 Bb4 6.e5 Ne4 7.Qd3 d5 8.a3 Bxc3+ 9.bxc3 b6 10.cxd5 Qxd5 11.c4 Qa5+ 12.Bd2 Nxd2 13.Qxd2 Bb7 14.Qxa5 Nxa5 15.Be2 0-0-0 16.Rd1 Rd7 17.0-0 Rhd8 18.c5 bxc5 19.dxc5 Rxd1 20.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 21.Bxd1 Bxf3 22.Bxf3 Nc4 23.Be4 g6 24.a4 Nxe5 25.c6 Kd8 26.f4 Nc4 27.Kf2 Ke7 28.Bd3 Nb2 29.Bb5 Nd1+ 30.Kf3 Nc3 31.Ke3 Nxb5 32.axb5

Kd6 33.Kd4 f6 34.Kc4 e5 35.fxe5+ fxe5 36.g3 e4 37.Kd4 e3 38.Kxe3 Kc5 39.Kf4 Kxb5 40.Kg5 a5 41.Kh6 a4 42.Kxh7 a3 43.Kxg6 a2 44.h4 a1Q 45.h5 Qb1+ 46.Kg7 Qf5 47.h6 Qg5+ 0-1

Barclay,Alan (345) - O'Young,Ashley (998) [C26]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (1), 2015-11-14

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.d4 exd4 4.Qxd4 Nc6 5.Qa4 Bb4 6.Bd2 Qe7 7.a3 Ba5 8.Nf3 Qe6 9.Bc4 Qd6 10.b4 Bb6 11.0-0 0-0 12.g3 Re8 13.Rfe1 Nd4 14.Bf4 Nxf3+ 15.Kg2 Nxe1+ 16.Rxe1 Qd4 17.Qb3 Qxf2+ 18.Kh3 d6+ 19.Kh4 Qxh2+ 20.Kg5 Qh5# 0-1

Trendell,Scott (906) - Harju,John (1224) [D00]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (1), 2015-11-14

1.d4 d5 2.e3 e6 3.f4 c5 4.b3 cxd4 5.exd4 Nf6 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.Bb2 Bd7 8.c3 Rc8 9.Nf3 Bd6 10.Bc1 (10.Ne5 is better than moving the bishop again.) 10…Qc7 11.g3 0-0 12.Be3 (12.0-0 is suggested.) 12…Ng4

13.Qe2 (13.Bxh7+ mixes things up nicely, though Black can hang on after 13…Kh8 [not 13…Kxh7 14.Ng5+ Kg8 15.Qxg4] 14.Ng5 e5 15.h3 [15.fxe5? Nxe3 16.Qh5 Bg4 wins the queen due to 17.Qh4 Ng2+] 15…Nf6 16.dxe5 Bxe5 17.0-0 Nxh7 18.Qh5 Bf5 19.fxe5 Bg6 20.Qh4 Qxe5 or 14.Ne5 Ncxe5 15.fxe5 Nxe3 16.Qh5 Ng4 17.exd6 Qxd6 18.Bd3+ Nh6 19.0-0 f5) 13…Nxe3 14.Qxe3 f6 15.h4 Rce8 16.Nbd2 e5! 17.Ne4 dxe4 18.Bxe4 exd4 19.Nxd4 f5 20.Nxc6 Bxc6 21.0-0-0 Rxe4 22.Qxa7 b6 23.Qxc7 Bxc7 24.Rd2 Re3 25.Rhd1 Rxc3+ 26.Rc2 Rxc2+ 27.Kxc2 Re8 28.Rd2 Re3 29.Kb2 Kf7 30.Rc2 Re6 31.Kc1 Ke7 32.Kb2 Kd7 33.Rd2+ Rd6 34.Rc2 b5 35.b4 Bb6 36.Kc1 Be3+ 37.Kb2 Rd2 38.Rxd2+ Bxd2 39.Kc2 Bxb4 40.Kd3 Be1 41.Kd4 Kd6 42.g4 fxg4 43.Ke3 g3 44.Ke2 g2 45.Kxe1 g1Q+ 46.Kd2 Be4 47.a4 bxa4 48.Kc3 a3 49.Kb3 Qc1 50.f5 Bd5+ 51.Kb4 a2 52.f6 a1Q 53.fxg7 Qab2+ 54.Ka5 Qca1# 0-1

Jabar,Lori (101) - Nino,Anthony (519) [C26]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (1), 2015-11-14

1.e4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e5 3.d3 d5 4.Nf3 c6 5.Nxe5 Qe7 [5...d4 6.Nxf7 (6.Ne2 Qa5+ 7.Bd2 Qxe5) 6...Kxf7 7.Ne2 c5 8.c3 (8.g3 Nc6 9.Bg2µ) 8...Nc6 9.Qb3+ Ke8 10.f4µ] 6.f4 Nbd7 7.Be3 Nxe5 8.fxe5 Qxe5 9.Qf3 [9.d4 Qe6 10.e5 Bb4 11.Bd3 (11.exf6 Qxe3+) 11...Ne4 12.Bxe4 dxe4 13.0-0 Bxc3 14.bxc3=] 9...Bb4 10.Bf4 Bxc3+ 11.bxc3 Qxc3+ 12.Ke2 Qxa1 13.exd5 cxd5 14.Qe3+ Be6 15.Be5 Ng4 16.Qf3 Qxe5+ 17.Kd2 0-0 18.h3 Nf6 19.h4 Rac8 20.Qd1 Bg4 21.Qe1 Qc3+ 22.Ke3 Qxe1+ 23.Kd4 Qc3+ 24.Ke3 Qe1+ 25.Kf4 Qd2+ 26.Ke5 Rfe8+ 27.Kd4 Qf2# 0-1

Maclure,Evan (1675) - Messenger,Robert (1810)

NH Amateur Nashua, NH (2), 2015-11-14

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.Nf3 dxe5 5.dxe5 Bg4 6.Be2 e6 7.c4 Nb4 8.Qxd8+ Kxd8 9.Na3 Nd7 10.0-0 Bc5 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.fxe3 c6 13.Rad1 Ke7 14.Ng5 Bf5 15.Nxf7 Rhf8 16.Nd6 b6 17.Nxf5+ Rxf5 18.Rxf5 exf5 19.Rf1 g6 20.Bf3 Nxe5 21.h3 Rd8 22.Rd1 Nxf3+ 23.gxf3 Rxd1+ 24.Kf2 Rd2+ 25.Kg3 Rxb2 26.Kh4 Rg2 27.Nb1 Kf6 28.Nc3 g5+ 29.Kh5 Rg3 30.h4 Rh3 31.Ne2 Rxh4# 0-1

Londono,Luis (1361) - Hankard,James (1701) [B07]

NH Amateur, U1750 Nashua, NH (2), 2015-11-14

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Be2 e6 6.h3 Bxf3 7.Bxf3 d5 8.e5 Nfd7 9.0-0 Be7 10.Ne2 b5 11.Bd2 a5 12.a3 Nb6 13.b3 N8d7 14.Ng3 Qc7 15.Be2 g5 16.c3 Nf8 17.Qc2 Ng6 18.Nh5 Rg8 19.Bd3 Nd7 20.b4 a4 21.Rae1 0-0-0 22.Be2 Rdf8 23.g4 Qd8 24.f4 gxf4 25.Bxf4 Bg5 26.Bg3 Bh4 27.Bd3 Bxg3 28.Nxg3 Qh4 29.Qh2 f6 30.Bxg6 hxg6 31.exf6 Rxf6 32.Rxf6 Qxf6 33.Qf2 Qxf2+ 34.Kxf2 Re8 35.Kf3 Rf8+ 36.Ke3 e5 37.Rf1 Rxf1 38.Nxf1 e4 39.Kf4 Kd8 40.Kg5 Nf8 41.Kf6 Ke8 42.Ne3 Kd7 43.Kf7 Ne6 44.h4 Nf4 45.Kf6 Ne2 46.Nd1 e3 47.Nxe3 Nf4 48.h5 gxh5 49.gxh5 Nxh5+ 50.Kg5 Ng3 ½-½

Perez,Rafael (1185) - Jiang,Dylan (642) [A00]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (2), 2015-11-14

1.b4 g6 2.Bb2 Nf6 3.Bxf6 exf6 4.e4 Bg7 5.c3 d6 6.Bc4 f5 7.Qf3 Nc6 8.d4 Qe7 9.Bd5 fxe4 10.Qxe4 Qxe4+ 11.Bxe4 Nxd4 12.Nd2 Nc6 13.Bxc6+ bxc6 14.Ne2 0-0 15.0-0 Re8 16.Rfe1 Ba6 17.Nd4 c5 18.bxc5 dxc5 19.N4f3 Bxc3 20.Rac1 Rxe1+ 21.Rxe1 Bxd2 22.Nxd2 Rd8 23.Nb3 c4 24.Nc5 Bb5 25.h3 Rd5 26.Ne4 Re5 27.Nf6+ Kg7 28.Rxe5 c3 29.Rxb5 c2 30.Rc5 Kxf6 31.Rxc2 h5 32.Rxc7 a5 33.Ra7 g5 34.Rxa5 Kg6 35.g4 hxg4 36.hxg4 f6 37.a4 Kh6 38.Rf5 Kg7 39.a5 Kg6 40.a6 Kf7 41.a7 Kg7 42.a8Q Kh7 43.Rxf6 Kg7 44.Qf8+ Kh7 45.Rh6# 1-0

Tilton,Jeromy (900) - Fiske,Mike (1260) [D00]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (2), 2015-11-14

1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 d5 3.h3 Nc6 4.Nf3 a6 5.Bd3 g6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.Bd2 0-0 8.Qe2 Re8 9.Ne5 Nxe5 10.dxe5 Ne4 11.Bxe4 dxe4 12.Nxe4 Bxe5 13.Rd1 Bf5 14.Bc3 Bxc3+ 15.Nxc3 Qc8 16.Qf3 Bxc2 17.Rd4 e5 18.Rd2 Bf5 19.0-0 e4 20.Qf4 c6 21.Rfd1 Qb8 22.Qg5 Qc7 23.h4 Qe7 24.Qf4 Rad8 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Rxd8+ Qxd8 27.h5 Qe7 28.h6 b5 29.Qb8+ ½-½

Harju,John (1224) - Burchard,Kyle (745) [C41]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (2), 2015-11-14

1.e4 f6 2.Nf3 e5 3.d4 d6 4.Be2 Qe7 5.Nc3 c6 6.b3 g6 7.Ba3 Bh6 8.d5 c5 9.b4 f5 10.bxc5 dxc5 11.d6 Qe6 12.Nd5 Qd7 13.Nc3 Nc6 14.Bxc5 Nf6 15.Bb5 b6 16.Nxe5 0-0 17.Nxd7 Bxd7 18.Bxc6 Bxc6 19.Bb4 a5 20.Ba3 b5 21.Bb2 Rfe8 22.0-0 b4 23.Ne2 Nxe4 24.Bc1 Bf8 25.Re1 Nxd6 26.Nd4 Bd7 27.Rxe8 Rxe8 28.Bb2 Nc4 29.Nb3 Be6 30.Bd4 Bd6 31.Nc5 Bc8 32.Qd3 Ne5 33.Qb5 Rd8 34.Re1 Nd7 35.Nxd7 Bxd7 36.Qd5+ Kf8 37.Qxd6+ Kf7 38.Qf6+ 1-0

Barclay,Alan (345) - Rogers,Finneas (903) [C47]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (2), 2015-11-14

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.d4 d6 5.d5 Nb4 6.a3 Na6 7.Bxa6 bxa6 8.Bg5 Bb7 9.0-0 Be7 10.h3 0-0 11.b4 c6

12.a4 cxd5 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Bxg5 15.Nxg5 Qxg5 16.Qg4 Qf6 17.c4 Rac8 18.Qf3 Qh6 19.Rac1 Qg6 20.Qe3 Rc7 21.b5 axb5 22.axb5 a6 23.b6 Rc5 24.Qg3 a5 25.Qg4 Ba6 26.Qd7 Bxc4 27.Rfd1 Bxd5 28.Ra1 Qxg2# 0-1

Davis,Allan (1252) - O'Young,Ashley (998) [A00]

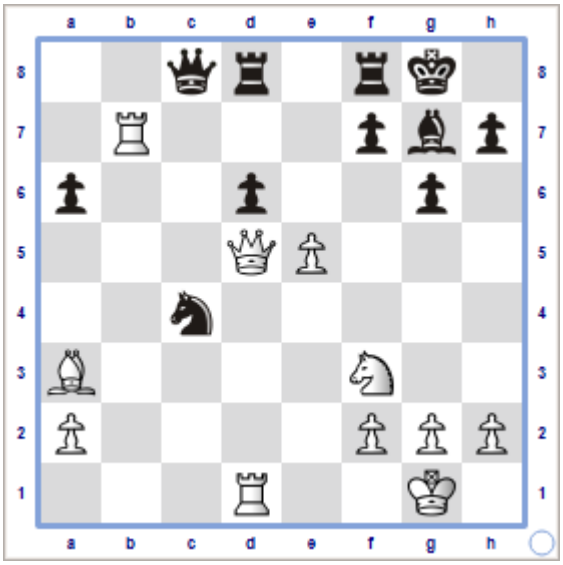
NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (2), 2015-11-14

1.g3 e5 2.Bg2 Nc6 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.Nge2 d6 6.a3 Ba5 7.d3 Bg4 8.f3 Be6 9.Bd2 d5 10.f4 Qd6 11.b4 Bb6 12.Nb5 Qd7 13.fxe5 Nxe5 14.Nbd4 Nc6 15.Nxe6 Qxe6 16.d4 Qg4 17.h3 Qe6 18.Nf4 Qd6 19.Qf3 0-0-0 20.h4 Kb8 21.b5 Na5 22.Bb4 Qd7 23.a4 Rde8 24.0-0 c6 25.Bh3 Qc7 26.Qe2 Nc4 27.Bc5 Rxe3 28.Qh2 Rhe8 29.g4 Bxc5 30.bxc6 Bxd4 31.Kg2 Re2+ 32.Kg3 R8e3+ 33.Rf3 Ne4# 0-1

Cappallo,Roger (1962) - Roldan-Levchenko,Nikita (1771) [B22]

NH Amateur Nashua, NH (3), 2015-11-14

1.e4 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.e5 Nd5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Bc4 Nb6 6.Bb3 c4 7.Bc2 Qc7 8.Qe2 g6 9.Na3 Nd8 10.b3 cxb3 11.Bxb3 Ne6 12.Nb5 Qd8 13.d4 Bg7 14.0-0 0-0 15.c4 a6 16.Nc3 d6 17.Rd1 dxe5 18.dxe5 Qc7 19.Rb1 Nc5 20.Bc2 Be6 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.cxd5 Rad8 23.Be4 Rfe8 24.Ba3 Nxe4 25.Qxe4 Nc4 26.d6 exd6 27.Rxb7 Qc8 28.Qd5 Rf8



29.Bxd6? Nxe5? (29…Bxe5 30.Rc7 [30.Nxe5 Rxd6] 30…Qxc7 31.Bxc7 Bxc7 32.Kf1 [32.Qxc4 Rxd1+] 32…Rxd5 33.Rxd5 Bb6) 30.Nxe5 Bxe5 31.Rb8? (31.Rb6 Rfe8 32.g3 Re6 33.Rb8 Qxb8 34.Bxb8 Rxd5 35.Rxd5 Bxb8 36.Rd8+ Kg7 37.Rxb8=) Qxb8 32.Qxe5 Qb6 33.h3 Rfe8 34.Qf4 0-1

Messenger,Robert (1830) - O'Young,Anson (1608)

NH Amateur Nashua, NH (3), 2015-11-14

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 c5 7.Nf3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Qa5 10.Bc4 0-0 11.0-0 Rd8 12.Be3 Nc6 13.Qb3 b5 14.Be2 a6 15.Rfd1 Bb7 16.Rab1 Bf8 17.a4 Ne7 18.Bd3 Bc6 19.axb5 axb5 20.Bd2 Qa4 21.Qb2 Qa6 22.Bb4 Rab8 23.Ra1 Qb7 24.Re1 Nc8 25.Ba5 Rd7 26.Rac1 Nd6 27.Bb4 Nxe4 scoresheet stops here due to time trouble 0-1

Naylor,John (1622) - Londono,Luis (1361) [C02]

NH Amateur, U1750 Nashua, NH (3), 2015-11-14

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.dxc5 Bxc5 5.Nf3 h6 6.Be3 Bxe3 7.fxe3 Ne7 8.Bd3 0-0 9.0-0 Nbc6 10.Nc3 Ng6 11.e4 dxe4 12.Nxe4 Ncxe5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.Be2 Qb6+ 15.Kh1 Qxb2 16.Qd6 Ng6 17.Bd3 b6 18.Rab1 Qe5 19.Qa3 Bd7 20.Rbe1 Qc7 21.Re3 Bc6 22.Ng3 Nh4 23.Rf2 Qb7 24.Ne4 Rad8 25.Rf4 f5 26.Rxh4 fxe4 27.Be2 Rd1+ 0-1

Jiang,Dylan (642) - Barclay,Alan (345) [B01]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (3), 2015-11-14

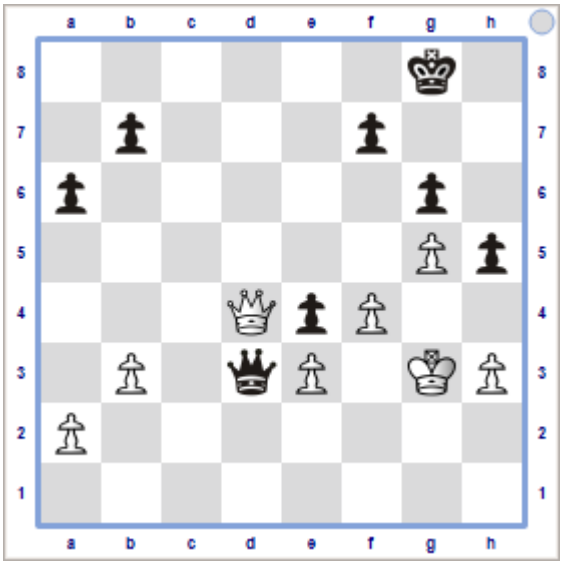
1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qe6+ 4.Be2 b6 5.Nb5 Qd7 6.Nf3 Ba6 7.a4 c6 8.Nc3 Bxe2 9.Qxe2 Qe6 10.Qxe6 fxe6 11.d4 c5 12.Nb5 Na6 13.0-0 g6 14.Bf4 Bh6 15.Nc7+ Nxc7 16.Bxc7 Rc8 17.Be5 Bf8 18.Bxh8 cxd4 19.Nxd4 a6 20.Nxe6 Bh6 21.Rad1 Kf7 22.Rfe1 Nf6 23.Nd8+ Kg8 24.Bxf6 b5 25.Rxe7 Kf8 26.Ne6+ Kg8 27.Red7 Bf8 28.Rd8 Rc6 29.Rxf8# 1-0

Tappen,Gene (1115) - Harju,John (1224) [D02]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (3), 2015-11-14

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 e6 3.Bf4 c5 4.e3 Bd7 5.Be2 Nc6 6.c3 Nf6 7.0-0 Nh5 8.Bg5 Be7 9.Bxe7 Qxe7 10.Ne5 Nf6 11.Nxd7

Nxd7 12.Nd2 cxd4 13.cxd4 Rc8 14.Bb5 a6 15.Bxc6 Rxc6 16.b3 0-0 17.Rc1 Rfc8 18.Rxc6 Rxc6 19.Qb1 Nf6 20.f3 Qb4 21.Qb2 g6 22.Rc1 Qb6 23.Rxc6 Qxc6 24.Nf1 Nd7 25.Qe2 Qc3 26.h3 Nf6 27.Kh2 Kg7 28.g4 e5 29.dxe5 Qxe5+ 30.Ng3 h5 31.f4 Qd6 32.Qb2 Kg8 33.g5 Ne4 34.Nxe4 dxe4 35.Kg3 Qd3 36.Qd4



36…Qxd4? (36…Qf1 sets some devious traps along the way to a likely draw: 37.Qxe4 [Best is 37.Qd8+ Kh7 38.Qd2 Qg1+ 39.Kh4 Qf1 40.Kg3=] 37…Qg1+ 38.Qg2 [not 38.Kh4?? Qf2 mate nor 38.Kf3?? Qh1+ winning the queen in broad daylight] 38…Qxe3+ 39.Qf3 Qg1+ 40.Qg2 h4+ 41.Kf3 Qd1+ 42.Qe2 Qd7 43.Kg2 is equal unless White gets greedy, i.e., 43…b5 44.Qf2 Qf5 45.Qxh4? Qe4+ and Black picks up the a2-pawn.) 37.exd4 Kf8 38.Kf2 Ke7 39.Ke3 f5 40.gxf6+ Kxf6 41.Kxe4 Ke6 42.h4 b6 43.a3 b5 44.b4 Kd6 45.d5 Ke7 46.Ke5 Kf7 47.d6 Ke8 48.Ke6 Kd8 49.d7 a5 50.bxa5 b4 51.axb4 g5 52.fxg5 Kc7 53.Ke7 1-0

Nino,Anthony (519) - Davis,Allan (1252) [D02]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (3), 2015-11-14

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Ne5 b6 4.Nc3 Bb7 5.Bg5 e6 6.Bxf6 Qxf6 7.e3 c5 8.Bb5+ Ke7 9.dxc5 bxc5 10.f4 a6 11.Ba4 g5 12.g3 d4 13.exd4 Bxh1 14.dxc5 Qf5 15.Rc1 Bg7 16.g4 Qxf4 17.Nd3 Bxc3+ 18.bxc3 Qxa4 19.Nb2 Qe4+ 20.Qe2 Qxe2+ 21.Kxe2 Bc6 22.Rd1 Rd8 23.Nc4 Bb5 24.Rd4 Rxd4 25.cxd4 Bxc4+ 26.Ke3 Bxa2 27.c3 Nc6 28.Kd3 a5 29.c4 a4 30.d5 exd5 31.cxd5 Bxd5 32.Kc2 Rb8 33.Kc3 a3 34.Kd3 a2 35.Ke3 a1Q 36.h4 Rb3+ 0-1

Top board, round 4. Jason Tang (2.5) plays White vs. Christopher Wood (3.0). Wood drew the game to finish clear first with 3.5-0.5 and take the NH Amateur Champion title.

Board 2 in the Championship section, round 4. John Elmore (2.0) plays White vs. Nikita Roldan-Levchenko (2.0). Nikita won the game to finish 3-1, good for a four-way tie for 2nd-4th places.
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Taggart,James (1746) - Messenger,Robert (1810)

NH Amateur Nashua, NH (4), 2015-11-14

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.c4 Nb6 5.f4 g6 6.Nf3 Bg7 7.Bd3 0-0 8.0-0 dxe5 9.fxe5 c5 10.d5 Bg4 11.Bf4 e6 12.d6 Nc6 13.Nbd2 Nxe5 14.Ne4 Rc8 15.Rc1 Bxf3 16.gxf3 Nxd3 17.Qxd3 Bxb2 18.Rc2 Bg7 19.Qd2 Nd7 20.Bh6 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 Nf6 22.Rd1 Nxe4 23.fxe4 ½-½

Elmore,John(2093)-Roldan-Levchenko,Nikita(1771)

NH Amateur Nashua, NH (4), 04.11.2015

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Na3 b5 9.Nd5 Be7 10.Bxf6 Bxf6 11.c3 Bg5 12.g3 0-0 13.Bg2 Bb7 14.0-0 Ne7 15.Ne3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 d5 17.Qh5 Qc7 18.Qh4 dxe4 19.Bxe4 Bxe4 20.Qxe4 f5 21.Qg2 Qc5 22.Nc2 Rad8 23.Rad1 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 f4 25.gxf4 exf4 26.Nd4 fxe3 27.Re1 Qe5 28.Qg3 Qxg3+ 29.hxg3 Nd5 30.Nc2 Rf3 31.Re2 Rxg3+ 32.Kh2 Rf3 33.Nd4 Rf2+ 34.Rxf2 exf2 35.Kg2 Kf7 36.Kxf2 Kf6 37.Kf3 h5 38.Ne2 g5 39.b3 g4+ 40.Ke4 Nc7 41.c4 bxc4 42.bxc4 Kg5 43.Ke5 h4 44.Kd6 Na8 45.Ke5 g3 46.Ke4 Kg4 0-1

Londono,Luis (1361) - Bennett,Joseph (1742) [C01]

NH Amateur, U1750 (4), 2015-11-14

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Nf3 c6 5.Be2 Bd6 6.Nc3 Ne7 7.Bg5 f6 8.Bh4 Be6 9.0-0 Nf5 10.Bd3 Na6 11.Re1 Kf7 12.Bg3 Nxg3 13.fxg3 Nc7 14.Ne2 g5 15.c3 Ne8 16.Qc2 Ng7 17.Rf1 Kg8 18.Kh1 h5 19.Rae1 Qd7 20.b4 Nf5 21.Bxf5 Bxf5 22.Qd2 Be4 23.Nfg1 Kg7 24.Nh3 Qxh3 25.Ng1 Qd7 26.Qf2 f5 27.Nf3 Qe7 0-1

On the far board, top game in the Reserve section (U1750), round 4. Paul Kolojeski (3.0) plays White vs. Ananth Rangan (3.0). The game was drawn, giving the players two spots in a three-way tie for first.

On the near board, Abhinav Govindaraju (2.5) plays White vs. Chad Wilson (2.5), board 2, round 4 in the Reserve section (1750). Govindaraju won the game to finish with 3.5 points and join the tie for first.

Perez,Rafael (1185) - Sreevatsa,Ashwin [A00]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (4), 2015-11-14

1.b4 e5 2.e3 Bxb4 3.Qg4 Bf8 4.Bb2 d6 5.Qg3 Nf6 6.h3 Nc6 7.Bb5 Bd7 8.Nf3 Nh5 9.Qh2 Be7 10.Nc3 0-0 11.a4 Nf6 12.Be2 Re8 13.g4 h6 14.g5 hxg5 15.Nxg5 Nh7 16.h4 f6 17.Bc4+ Kh8 18.Nf7+ Kg8 19.Nxd8+ Kf8 20.Ne6+ Bxe6 21.Bxe6 Bd8 22.Bf5 Kg8 23.Bxh7+ Kxh7 24.h5 Kg8 25.h6 Kf7 26.hxg7 Rg8 27.Qh5+ Ke6 28.Nd5 Kd7 29.Qf7+ Ne7 30.Nxf6+ Kc6 31.Nxg8 Nd5 32.Qe8+ Kb6 33.c4 c6 34.cxd5 Rb8 35.dxc6 Bc7 36.Qxb8 Bxb8 37.Ne7 bxc6 38.g8Q c5 39.Qb3+ 1-0

Tiruveedhula,Saanvi (543) - Barclay,Alan (345) [A00]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (4), 2015-11-14

1.e4 d5 2.Nc3 d4 3.Nb5 e5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Bc4 a6 6.Na3 b5 7.Bd5 Bb7 8.d3 Nge7 9.Bg5 f6 10.Bd2 Nxd5 11.exd5 Qxd5 12.0-0 Bxa3 13.bxa3 0-0 14.Nh4 Ne7 15.Qg4 Bc8 16.Qg3 Bd7 17.Bh6 g5 18.f4 exf4 19.Rxf4 Ng6 20.Bxg5 Qxg5 21.Qf3 c5 22.g3 Rac8 23.Nxg6 Qxg6 24.Rf1 Bc6 25.Qf2 b4 26.h3 Qf7 27.Rg4+ Kh8 28.Rf4 f5 29.g4 Rg8 30.Rxf5 Qxa2 31.Rf7 Rg7 32.Qf6 Rcg8 33.c4 Qe2 34.Qxc6 b3 35.Qf6 b2 36.Rf8 Qe3+ 37.Kg2 Qe2+ 38.Kg1 Qxd3 39.Rxg8+ Kxg8 40.Qf8# 1-0

McCormack,Richard (838) - Fiske,Mike (1260) [E22]

NH Amateur, U1300 Nashua, NH (4), 2015-11-14

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 Bxc3+ 5.Qxc3 d5 6.Bf4 Nc6 7.Nf3 0-0 8.e3 Ne4 9.Qc2 Bd7 10.Bd3 f5 11.Bxe4 fxe4 12.Ne5 Nxe5 13.Bxe5 Rc8 14.0-0 Qg5 15.cxd5 exd5 16.Rfc1 Bh3 17.g3 Rf3 18.Bf4 Qg4 19.Qb3 c6 20.Qxb7 Rf8 21.Rc2 R3xf4 22.exf4 Qf3 0-1

On the closer board, Noah Rogers (2.5) plays White vs. Eugene Tappen (3.0), round 4 board 1 in the Novice section (U1300). Tappen won the game to take clear first in the section with 4-0.

On the far board, Ashley O'Young (2.5) plays White vs. Henry He (2.5) on board 2. Henry He won the game to finish with 3.5 points.

A wild finish in the Novice section, round 4 board 1. Black (Eugene Tappen) had to give up his rook for the advanced White pawn, leaving the huge mass of kingside pawns to battle White's rook. In a nail-biting finish, the pawns succeeded in overwhelming the rook,

November WGM Norm

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FM Akshita Gorti overcame a 0/2 start to finish with 7/10 and take clear first in the Manchester November WGM Norm tournament. WGM Keti Tsatsalashvili, WGM Ana Benderac, and WIM Shayesteh Ghaderpour each finished second with 6/10. A special welcome to WGM Tsatsalashvili of Tbilisi, Georgia, and WGM Benderac of Prokuplje, Serbia who made their U.S. debuts at this tournament.

From left to right: WGM Yanira Vigoa, WIM Shayesteh Ghaderpour, WGM Ana Benderac, Alex Relyea (FIDE arbiter), FM Akshita Gorti, Ken Ballou (International Arbiter), and WGM Keti Tsatsalashvili (Janyl Tilenbaeva not shown)

Ghaderpour,Shayesteh (2198) - Gorti,Akshita (2186)

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (1), 2015-11-19

1.e4 e6 2.d3 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.Ngf3 Nc6 5.g3 dxe4 6.dxe4 e5 7.Bg2 Bc5 8.0-0 0-0 9.Qe2 a5 10.h3 b6 11.Rd1 Ba6 12.c4 Qe8 13.Nf1 h6 14.b3 Bd4 15.Rb1 Qe6 16.Bb2 Bxb2 17.Rxb2 a4 18.Qe1 Rfd8 19.Rbd2 Rxd2 20.Rxd2 Na5 21.Qb1 Bb7 22.Nh4 Qe7 23.Ne3 Qb4 24.Rb2 axb3 25.axb3 c6 26.Nhf5 Rd8 27.Qc2 Kh7 28.Kh2 g6 29.Nh4 Rd6 30.Nf3 Re6 31.Rb1 Ba6 32.Ne1

32…Nb7? 33.Nd3 Qa3 34.Qc3 Qf8 35.Ra1 1-0

Benderac,Ana (2235) - Vigoa Apecheche,Yanira (2245)

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (1), 2015-11-19

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.Bg5 Nbd7 4.Nf3 h6 5.Bh4 e6 6.e3 Be7 7.Bd3 c5 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 c4 10.Bf1 Qb6 11.b3 Bb4 12.Na4 Qc6 13.c3 Bd6 14.b4 Ne4 15.Qc2 b6 16.Nb2 a5 17.b5 Qb7 18.a4 f5 19.Nd2 Qc7 20.Bg3 Nxg3 21.hxg3 Nf6 22.f4 Bd7 23.Nd1 Be8 24.Nf2 Bh5 25.Nf3 Qf7 26.Be2 Ra7 27.Qd1 Bg6 28.Ne5 Bxe5 29.fxe5 Ne4 30.Nxe4 fxe4 31.Rf1 Qe8 32.Rxf8+ Qxf8 33.Qd2 Rf7 34.Bg4 Bf5 35.Bh5 g6 36.Be2 h5 37.Rf1 Qh6 38.Bd1 g5 39.Rf2 g4 40.Rf4 Qf8 41.Qb2 Qe7 42.Qf2 Qa3 43.Qd2 Kg7 44.Qc2 Kg6 45.Qd2 Rh7 46.Qc2 Rh8 47.Qd2 Kg5 48.Rf1 Rh7 49.Qc2 Kg6 50.Qd2 Rh6 51.Qc2 Qe7 52.Qf2 Rh7 53.Qe1 Rh8 54.Qf2 Qa3 55.Qd2 Kf7 56.Qc2 Ke8 57.Qd2 Kd8 58.Qc2 Kc8 59.Qd2 Kb8 60.Qc2 Ka8 61.Qd2 h4 62.gxh4 Rxh4 63.g3 Rh3 64.Kg2 Qe7 65.Rh1 Rxh1 66.Kxh1 Qf8 67.Kg1 Qh6 68.Qf2 Kb8 69.Qf4 Qh3 70.Qf2 Qh6 71.Qf4 Qh5 72.Qf2 Qh6 73.Qf4 Qg7 74.Qf2 ½-½

Gorti,Akshita (2186) - Vigoa Apecheche,Yanira (2245)

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (2), 2015-11-19

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 g6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.e4 0-0 8.Nf3 Qa5 9.Bd2 Bxa6 10.Be2 Bxe2 11.Qxe2 Qa6 12.a4 e6 13.d6 Nc6 14.Nb5 Na7 15.Nc3 Qxe2+ 16.Kxe2 Nc6 17.Be3 Rfb8 18.Rab1 Ra5 19.Nd2 Ng4 20.Nc4 Bxc3 21.Nxa5 Bxa5 22.Bxc5 Rb3 23.f4 Nf6 24.e5 Nd5 25.g3 f6 26.exf6 Kf7 27.Rhd1 Bb4 28.Rdc1 Kxf6 29.Kf2 Ba5 30.Kg2 h5 31.Bf2 Kf7 32.Bc5 Bd8 33.Rc2 Bf6 34.Ra1 Na5 35.Ra2 h4 36.Kf2 Nb7 37.Kg2 h3+ 38.Kf1 Bd8 39.Rc4 Ba5 40.Rc2 Nxc5 41.Rxc5 Bb6 42.Rb5 Rf3+ 43.Ke1 Rxg3 44.a5 Rg1+ 45.Ke2 Rg2+ 46.Kd3 Bg1 47.a6 Rxh2 48.a7 Bxa7 49.Rxa7 Nf6 50.Ra1 Rg2 51.Kd4 h2 52.Rh1 Ng4 53.Rb7 Rd2+ 54.Kc4 Rxd6 55.Rb3 Kf6 56.Rg3 Kf5 57.Rxg4 Kxg4 58.Rxh2 Kxf4 59.b4 Rc6+ 60.Kd4 d6 61.Rf2+ Kg5 62.Rg2+ Kf6 63.Rf2+ Kg7 64.Rg2 Kf6 65.Rf2+ Ke7 66.Rg2 d5 67.b5 Rc4+ 68.Kd3 Rb4 69.Rxg6 Rxb5 70.Kd4 Kd6 71.Rh6 Rb4+ 72.Kd3 Rf4 73.Ke3 Ra4 74.Kd3 Ra3+ 75.Kd4 Rg3 76.Rf6 Rg4+ 77.Kd3 Ke5 78.Rh6 Rg3+ 79.Kd2 d4 80.Rh4 Kd5 81.Rh5+ e5 82.Rh4 e4 83.Rh8 Rg2+ 84.Kd1 e3 0-1

Tsatsalashvili,Keti (2240) - Benderac,Ana (2235) [D11]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (2), 2015-11-19

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.g3 Bf5 4.c4 dxc4 5.Bg2 c6 6.Ne5 Be4 7.f3 Bxb1 8.Rxb1 Qa5+ 9.Bd2 Qxa2 10.Qc1 Qb3 11.Nxc4 e6 12.0-0 Be7 13.Ra1 b6 14.f4 0-0 15.Rf3 Qb5 16.Qc2 Nbd7 17.Rb3 Qh5 18.e4 c5 19.e5 Nd5 20.g4 Qg6 21.Qd1 f5 22.gxf5 Rxf5 23.Rg3 Qf7 24.Ne3 Nxe3

25.Bxe3 Rd8 26.d5 Nf8 27.d6 Bh4 28.Rg4 Ng6 29.Qa4 h5 30.Rxg6 Qxg6 31.Kh1 Qg4 32.Qb3 c4 33.Qxc4 Rxe5 34.h3 Qg3 35.fxe5 Qxe3 36.Qxh4 1-0

Gorti,Akshita (2186) - Tsatsalashvili,Keti (2240) [D38]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (3), 2015-11-20

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.cxd5 exd5 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Qa4+ Nc6 9.e3 0-0 10.Be2 Be6 11.0-0 a6 12.Rfc1 Rfd8 13.a3 Bd6 14.b4 g5 15.g3 g4 16.Ne1 h5 17.Qd1 Kg7 18.Na4 Rh8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Rxc5 Rh6 21.Ng2 Rah8 22.Nh4 Ne7 23.Rxc7 Nf5 24.Nxf5+ Bxf5 25.Ra2 Qe6 26.Bd3 Bxd3 27.Qxd3 h4 28.Rcc2 Rf6 29.Re2 Rf3 30.Qc2 Rc8 31.Qd2 Qe4 32.Qe1 Rf6 33.Ra1 b5 (33…h3 first really ties White up.) 34.gxh4 Rh8 35.Qf1 Rxh4 36.Qg2 Qf3 37.Rc2 Rh3 38.Rac1 Rfh6 39.Re1 Qxg2+ 40.Kxg2 Rxh2+ 41.Kg3

41…Kg6? (Surprisingly, this is a mistake. Instead 41…Kf6 essentially clinches the draw after 42.Kxg4 R6h4+ 43.Kf3 R4h3+ with a perpetual. If White falls back with 44.Ke2, Black has the tactic 44…Rxf2+ 45.Kxf2 Rh2+ and 46…Rxc2.) 42.Kxg4 R6h5 (If Black tries for the perpetual check with 42…R6h4+, we see the difference as now White can sneak out to e5, etc., with 44.Kf4 Rh4+ 45.Ke5) 43.Kf3 Rf5+ 44.Kg3 Rfh5 45.Rg1 R5h3+ 46.Kf4+ Kf6 47.Rf1 Rh4+ 48.Kf3 Kf5 49.Rg1 Rh6 50.Rc5 Rf6 51.Ke2 Rd6 52.Rgc1 Rhh6 53.Rc7 Rhf6 54.Re7 Kg6 55.Re5 Rd8 56.Rg1+ Kh6 57.Reg5 Rc8 58.Rxd5 Rc2+ 59.Kd3 Rcxf2 60.Rc5 Ra2 61.Rc3 a5 62.bxa5 Ra6 63.Rc2 Rxa3+ 64.Ke4 Rg6 65.Rxg6+ fxg6 66.d5 Kg5 67.Rf2 Rxa5 68.d6 Ra8 69.Kd5 b4 70.d7 b3 71.Kd6 Kg4 72.e4 Kg3 73.Rf1 b2 74.Ke7 Ra1 75.d8Q Rxf1 76.Qb8+ Rf4 77.e5 1-0

Tilenbaeva,Janyl (2018) - Benderac,Ana (2235) [A34]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (3), 2015-11-20

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.c4 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.Be2 Be7 6.0-0 Nbd7 7.a3 0-0 8.b4 b6 9.b5 Bb7 10.d3 d5 11.Qc2 Qc7 12.a4 d4 13.Nb1 Ne8 14.a5 Rd8 15.axb6 axb6 16.Ng5 e5 17.f4 exf4 18.Bxf4 Bd6 19.Bxd6 Nxd6 20.Nd2 Ne5 21.Ra7 Nc8 22.Ra2 Rd6 23.Rf4 Rh6 24.g3 Qe7 25.h4 f6 26.Ngf3 Ng6 27.Rf5 Nd6 28.Rd5 Bxd5 29.cxd5 Ne5 30.Qa4 f5 31.Qa6 fxe4 32.dxe4 d3 33.Bd1 Nxe4 34.Nxe4 Nxf3+ 35.Bxf3 Rxf3 36.Qc8+ Rf8 37.Qg4 Rg6 38.Ng5 d2 39.Qh5 Qe1+ 40.Kh2 Rf2+ 0-1

Vigoa Apecheche,Yanira (2245) - Ghaderpour,Shayesteh (2198) [A47]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (3), 2015-11-20

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 e6 3.Nd2 c5 4.e3 b6 5.Ngf3 Be7 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.exd4 Bb7 8.c3 d6 9.Qe2 a6 10.a4 Nbd7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Rfe1 Re8 13.Bh4 Nf8 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Be4 Qc7 16.Bxb7 Qxb7 17.Ne4 Be7 18.Ng3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.b3 Nd7 21.h3 Bf8 22.Qd3 g6 23.c4 bxc4 24.bxc4 Rxa1 25.Rxa1 Rc8 26.Nd2 Bg7 27.Ra2 Qb6 28.Ne2 Qb4 29.Qa3 Qxa3 30.Rxa3 Nb6 31.Ra6 Nxc4 32.Nxc4 Rxc4 33.Rxd6 Kf8 34.Rd7 Ke8 35.Rb7 Bxd4 36.Rb8+ Ke7 37.Rb7+ Kf6 38.Nxd4 Rxd4 39.g3 Rd2 40.Kg2 Ra2 41.h4 h5 42.Kf3 e5 43.Ke3 Ra3+ 44.Ke2 Ra6 45.Ke3 Ke6 46.Rb5 f5 47.Kf3 Kf6 48.Rc5 Re6 49.Kg2 g5 50.hxg5+ Kxg5 51.Rxe5 Rxe5 52.f4+ Kf6 53.fxe5+ Kxe5 54.Kf3 Kf6 55.Ke2 Kg6 56.Kf2 Kg5 57.Kf3 ½-½

Ghaderpour,Shayesteh (2198) - Tsatsalashvili,Keti(2240) [B51]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (4), 2015-11-20

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bb5+ Nd7 4.0-0 a6 5.Bd3 b5 6.c4 Rb8 7.Re1 g6 8.cxb5 axb5 9.a4 bxa4 10.Bc4 e5 11.Nc3 Bg7 12.d3 h6 13.Bd2 Ne7 14.Qc1 Nb6 15.Nxa4 Nxc4 16.dxc4 Be6 17.Rd1 Qc7 18.Be3 Nc6 19.Ne1 g5 20.Nd3 0-0 21.Ra3 Na5 22.Naxc5 dxc5 23.Nxc5 Bc8 24.b4 Rxb4 25.Qc3 Nc6 26.Ra8 Rb8 0-1

Gorti,Akshita (2186) - Benderac,Ana (2235) [E01]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (4), 2015-11-20

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 c6 5.Qd3 Nbd7 6.g3 Bd6 7.Bg2 0-0 8.0-0 h6 9.Rd1 Qe7 10.b3 dxc4 11.bxc4 e5 12.dxe5 Bxe5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.Qd4 Bf5 15.Bf4 Rfe8 16.Rac1 g5 17.Bxe5 Qxe5 18.Qd2 Re7 19.Qd6 Kg7 20.Qb4 Rae8 21.a4 Ne4 22.Nxe4 Bxe4 23.Bxe4 Qxe4 24.e3 Qf3 25.Qc5 Re5 26.Qxa7 c5 27.Rb1 R8e7 28.Qa5 h5 29.Qe1 h4 30.Qf1 g4 31.gxh4 Rh5 32.Qg2 Rxh4 33.Rd5 f6 34.Qg3 Rh3 35.Qd6 Rxe3 36.Qc7+ Kg6 37.Qd8 Qe4 38.Qg8+ Kh6 39.Qh8+ Kg6 40.Qg8+ Kh6 ½-½

Vigoa Apecheche,Yanira (2245) - Tilenbaeva,Janyl (2018) [D00]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (4), 2015-11-20

1.d4 d5 2.Bg5 h6 3.Bh4 Nf6 4.Bxf6 exf6 5.e3 Be7 6.c4 dxc4 7.Bxc4 0-0 8.Nc3 c5 9.dxc5 Qxd1+ 10.Rxd1 Bxc5 11.Nd5 Nc6 12.a3 a5 13.Ne2 Bg4 14.h3 Bxe2 15.Bxe2 Rad8 16.0-0 Ne7 17.Nc3 Nc6 18.g3 Rxd1 19.Rxd1 Rd8 20.Rxd8+ Nxd8 21.Bf3 Kf8 22.Kf1 f5 23.Ke2 Ke8 24.Kd3 Kd7 25.Kc4 Bd6 26.Kb5 Nc6 27.Bxc6+ bxc6+ 28.Kxa5 g5 29.Kb6 f4 30.exf4 gxf4 31.gxf4 Bxf4 32.a4 Bc7+ 33.Kb7 Ba5 34.Ne4 Bb4 35.Kb6 f5 36.Nc5+ Kd6 37.Nd3 1-0

Tsatsalashvili,Keti (2240) - Vigoa Apecheche,Yanira (2245) [A57]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (5), 2015-11-21

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 c5 4.d5 b5 5.cxb5 a6 6.b6 d6 7.Nc3 Nbd7 8.a4 Qxb6 9.a5 Qc7 10.e4 Bg7 11.h3 Rb8 12.Be2 0-0 13.0-0 Rb4 14.Qc2 e6 15.dxe6 fxe6 16.Rd1

16…Ne8 (16…Qc6 is better, with some counter-pressure against e4. 17.Ng5 Ne5 followed by 18…Nf7 is even.) 17.Na4 Ne5 18.Bd2 Nxf3+ 19.Bxf3 Rb5 20.Rab1 Qf7 21.b4 cxb4 22.Bxb4 Bb7 23.Nb6 Qe7 24.Qd3 Kh8 25.Nc4 Rxb4 26.Rxb4 d5 27.Rxb7 Qxb7 28.exd5 exd5 29.Bxd5 Qb4 30.Bf3 Qc5 31.Qd5 Qxd5 32.Rxd5 Nc7 33.Rd6 Ba1 34.Rc6 Rf7 35.Nd6 Re7 36.g3 Bd4 37.Kg2 h6 38.h4 Ba1 39.h5 Be5 40.Nc4 Bg7 41.hxg6 Kg8 42.Ne3 Kf8 43.Be2 Be5 44.Bxa6 1-0

Benderac,Ana (2235) - Ghaderpour,Shayesteh (2198)

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (5), 2015-11-21

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.e3 Be7 4.Bd3 c5 5.0-0 0-0 6.Nbd2 b6 7.b3 Ba6 8.c4 Nc6 9.Bb2 cxd4 10.exd4 d5 11.Rc1 Rc8 12.Ne5 dxc4 13.Nxc6 Rxc6 14.bxc4 Qc8 15.Qe2 Rc7 16.Ne4 Nxe4 17.Qxe4 f5 18.Qe2 Bf6 19.Rfe1 Rd8 20.Qxe6+ Qxe6 21.Rxe6 Bxd4 22.Bxd4 Rxd4 23.Bxf5 Bxc4 24.f3 Rc5 25.Re8+ Kf7 26.Re4 Rxe4 27.Bxe4 Bxa2 28.Ra1 Bd5 29.Rxa7+ Kf6 30.Bxd5 Rxd5 31.Rb7 Rb5

32.Kf2 Rb2+ 33.Kg3 h6 34.Rb8 b5 35.Rb6+ Kf7 36.Rb7+ Kg8 37.h4 b4 38.h5 b3 39.Kh3 Rb1 40.Kg4 Rg1 41.g3 Rb1 42.Kf5 Kh7 43.g4 Rb2 44.f4 Rb1 45.Rb4 Rb2 46.Rb6 Rb1 47.Rb7 Rb2 ½-½

Tilenbaeva,Janyl (2018) - Gorti,Akshita (2186) [C05]
Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (5), 2015-11-21
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.Ndf3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.h4 Qa5 8.Bd2 Qb6 9.Ne2 Qxb2 10.Qb1 Qxb1+ 11.Rxb1 b6 12.Nf4 Be7 13.g4 h6 14.Bb5 Bb7 15.Ke2 g6 16.c4 dxc4 17.d5 exd5 18.e6 fxe6 19.Nxg6 Rh7 20.g5 0-0-0 21.gxh6 Bf6 22.Rhg1 Nd4+ 23.Nxd4 Bxd4 24.Bg5 Nf6 25.Ba4 Ne4 26.Bxd8 Nc3+ 27.Ke1 Kxd8 28.Bc2 Rxh6 29.Rg4 Nxb1 30.Bxb1 e5 31.f4 e4 32.Bc2 Bf6 33.f5 Bc8 34.Rf4 Rh5 35.Bd1 Rxf5 36.h5 Rxf4 37.Nxf4 d4 38.h6 Bf5 39.Bh5 c3 40.Ng6 d3 41.h7 c2 0-1

Ghaderpour,Shayesteh (2198) - Tilenbaeva,Janyl (2018) [B15]
Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (6), 2015-11-21
1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 dxe4 4.Nxe4 h6 5.Ng3 Nf6 6.Bc4 e6 7.Nf3 Bd6 8.0-0 Nbd7 9.Bb3 Nf8 10.Qe2 Ng6 11.Ne5 Ne7 12.Qf3 Qc7 13.Nc4 Ned5 14.Nxd6+ Qxd6 15.c4 Ne7 16.Rd1 a5 17.Bf4 Qd7 18.Be5 Ng6 19.Bxf6 gxf6 20.Nh5 Qe7 21.Nxf6+ Kf8 22.Bc2 Nh4 23.Qf4 Nf5

24.Ne4 (24.Qe5 is even stronger. After 24…Qd6, White has the pretty 25.g4 Qxe5 26.dxe5 when the Black knight cannot escape capture due to 26…Nh4 27.Rd8+ winning the rook instead [27…Kg7?? 28.Nh5 is mate!].) 24…b6 25.Qe5 Rg8 26.Nf6 Rg7 27.Nh5 Rg8 28.Bxf5 exf5 29.Qf4 Rg6 30.Rac1 Qe4 31.Qxe4 fxe4 32.Ng3 f5 33.d5 Ra7 34.Nh5 Rc7 35.Nf4 Rg4 36.g3 Ke8 37.b3 Rcg7 38.Kf1 Rc7 39.Ke2 Rgg7 40.Ke3 Rgf7 41.d6 Ra7 42.c5 b5 43.Ng6 Rf6 44.Ne5 Bd7 45.Kf4 a4 46.b4 Ra6 47.a3 Kd8 48.f3 exf3 49.Nxf3 Ra7 50.Ne5 Be8 51.Rc3 Rg7 52.d7 Bxd7 53.Rcd3 Rg4+ 54.Kf3 1-0

Vigoa Apecheche,Yanira (2245) - Gorti,Akshita (2186)
Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (6), 2015-11-21
1.d4 e6 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.g3 b6 4.Bg2 Bb7 5.0-0 Be7 6.c4 0-0 7.Nc3 Ne4 8.Qc2 Nxc3 9.bxc3 f5 10.d5 Na6 11.e4 fxe4 12.Qxe4 Nc5 13.Qc2 Rb8 14.h4 Ba6 15.Ng5 Bxg5 16.Bxg5 Qe8 17.dxe6 dxe6 18.Be3 Bxc4 19.Bxc5 bxc5 20.Rfe1 Qh5 21.f4 Rbd8 22.Re3 Rd6 23.Rae1 Rfd8 24.Re5 Qf7 25.Qa4 Ba6 26.Rxc5 Qg6 27.Rg5 Qd3 28.Qa5 h6 29.Rge5 Qxg3 30.R5e3 Qxf4 31.Qxc7 Qxh4 32.Re4 Qg5 33.Re5 Qf6 34.Qxa7 Bc4 35.a4 Qg6 36.Kh1 Rd2 37.Qb7 Qg3 38.R5e3 Qh4+ 39.Kg1 Rd1 40.Qe4 Qg5 41.Qe5 Rxe1+ 42.Rxe1 Qxe5 43.Rxe5 Rd1+ 44.Kf2 Ra1 45.a5 Ra2+ 46.Kg1 Kf7 47.Bb7 g5 48.Rc5 Bd3 49.Bc8 Kf6 50.Rc6 Rxa5 51.Rxe6+ Kg7 52.Re7+ Kg6 53.Re6+ Kh5 54.Rd6 Bf5 55.Ba6 g4 56.Be2 Kg5 57.Ra6 Rc5 58.c4 h5 59.Rb6 h4 60.Rb5 Rxb5 61.cxb5 h3 62.b6 Be4 63.Kh2 Kh4 0-1

Benderac,Ana (2235) - Tsatsalashvili,Keti (2240) [D03]
Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (6), 2015-11-21
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.Bg5 c5 4.e3 Qb6 5.Qc1 Nc6 6.c3 Be7 7.Nbd2 d5 8.Bd3 Bd7 9.Ne5 cxd4 10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Nxd7 Kxd7 12.exd4 Rag8 13.0-0 Rg7 14.Re1 Bd6 15.Nf3 Rhg8 16.Bf1 Kc8 17.b4 Qc7 18.Qd1 Rg6 19.Kh1 Rh6 20.h3

Be7 21.Qd2 Rhg6 22.a3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Bf8 24.Rc2 Kb8 25.c4 Bh6 26.Qd3 dxc4 27.Rxc4 Rd8 28.Qc2 Ne7 29.Bd3 Rg7 30.Rc5 f5 31.Rd1 Nd5 32.Bf1 f6 33.Nd2 Rc7 34.Nc4 Qf4 35.Kg1 Bf8 36.g3 Qg5 37.Rxc7 Nxc7 38.Bg2 Nd5 39.Qe2 Nc3 40.Qf3 Ne4 41.Nd2 Rxd4 42.Nxe4 fxe4 43.Qe2 Rxd1+ 44.Qxd1 Qd5 45.Qg4 f5 46.Qg8 Qd6 47.Qxh7 a6 48.Qf7 Be7 49.h4 Bd8 50.h5 Bb6 51.Kh2 Bxf2 52.Qg8+ Ka7 53.h6 Bd4 54.h7 Qe5 55.a4 Qf6 56.h8Q Qxh8+ 57.Qxh8 Bxh8 58.Bf1 Bc3 59.b5 a5 60.Bc4 e5 61.Kg2 Kb6 62.Be6 Kc5 63.Bxf5 Kb4 64.Bxe4 Kxa4 65.Bxb7 Kxb5 66.Kf3 Kc5 67.Ke4 Kd6 68.Bd5 Bd2 69.Ba2 Bh6 70.g4 a4 71.Bb1 Bg7 72.g5 Bh8 73.Bc2 a3 74.Bb3 Kc5 75.Kd3 Kb4 76.Ba2 Kc5 77.Bb3 Kd6 78.Ke4 ½-½

Gorti,Akshita (2186) - Ghaderpour,Shayesteh (2198)

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (7), 2015-11-22

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Bb4+ 4.Nbd2 b6 5.a3 Be7 6.e4 d5 7.cxd5 exd5 8.e5 Nfd7 9.Bd3 0-0 10.h4 g6 11.h5 Re8 12.Qc2 Nf8 13.b4 c5 14.bxc5 bxc5 15.dxc5 Ba6 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.0-0 Bxc5 18.Nb3 Be7 19.Nbd4 Qc8 20.Qe2 Bxd3 21.Qxd3 Qc4 22.Qd2 Nbd7 23.e6 Nc5 24.Ne5 Qa6 25.Qf4 Ncxe6 26.Qf7+ Kh8 27.Bb2 Ng7 28.Ng4 Qb6 29.Nh6 1-0

Tilenbaeva,Janyl (2018) - Tsatsalashvili,Keti (2240)

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (7), 2015-11-22

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Be2 e5 7.Nf3 h6 8.0-0 Be7 9.Re1 0-0 10.Bf1 Be6 11.Nd5 Qd7 12.c4 Bd8 13.b3 Nh7 14.Bb2 Ng5 15.Nxg5 Bxg5 16.Qd3 f5 17.Rad1 Rad8 18.b4 Qf7 19.f3 fxe4 20.Qxe4 Bf5 21.Qe2 Rfe8 22.Qf2 Be6 23.b5 Bxd5 24.cxd5 Ne7 25.Qxa7 Nf5 26.Qa3 Qc7 27.Bc1 Qb6+ 28.Kh1 Bh4 29.Re4 Bf2 30.Qd3 Rf8 31.a4 Qc7 32.Rg4 Bd4 33.Bd2 Rc8 34.a5 Qf7 35.Qb3 Qh5 36.Bd3 e4 37.Bxe4 Be5 38.h3 Ng3+ 39.Kg1 Ne2+ 40.Kf1 Ng3+ 41.Ke1 Rf6 42.a6 bxa6 43.bxa6 Qe8 44.Qb7 Rf7 45.Qb1 h5 46.Rg6 Re7 47.Re6 Rxe6 48.dxe6 Qxe6 49.Be3 Kh8 50.Bd5 Qe7 51.Qb7 Rc2 52.Qa8+ Kh7 53.Be4+ g6 54.Bxc2 Bf4 55.Qb7 1-0

Vigoa Apecheche,Yanira (2245) - Benderac,Ana (2235)

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (7), 2015-11-22

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 e6 3.e4 c5 4.Bxf6 gxf6 5.dxc5 Bxc5 6.Qd2 b6 7.Nc3 Bb7 8.a3 Nc6 9.Nf3 Ne5 10.Nd4 Rg8 11.Nb3 Bf8 12.f4 Bh6 13.0-0-0 a6 14.Kb1 Qc7 15.g3 Rd8 16.Qe2 Ng6 17.Bg2 Bxf4 18.gxf4 Nxf4 19.Qe3 Rxg2 20.Nd4 d5 21.Rhf1 e5 22.Rxf4 exf4 23.Qh3 Rg5 24.exd5 Bxd5 25.Qxh7 Re5 26.Nf5 Qc5 27.Qh8+ Kd7 28.Qxf6 Kc8 29.Nxd5 Rdxd5 30.Rxd5 Re1+ 31.Ka2 Qxd5+ 32.b3 Qe5 33.Qc6+ Kd8 34.Qxb6+ Kd7 35.Nd4 f6 36.Qb7+ Ke8 37.Qc8+ Kf7 38.Qd7+ Kg6 39.h4 f3 40.Qg4+ Kh7 41.h5 f2 42.Qg6+ Kh8 43.Qh6+ Kg8 44.Qg6+ Kf8 45.Qh6+ Ke8 46.Qg6+ Kd7 47.Qg7+ Kd6 48.Qf8+ Kd5 49.Qd8+ Ke4 0-1

Benderac,Ana (2235) - Tilenbaeva,Janyl (2018) [D02]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (8), 2015-11-22

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bf4 e6 4.e3 Be7 5.Bd3 0-0 6.Nbd2 c5 7.c3 c4 8.Bc2 b5 9.e4 b4 10.e5 bxc3 11.bxc3 Ne8 12.Rb1 Qa5 13.h4 Nc6 14.Ng5 Bxg5 15.Bxh7+ Kxh7 16.hxg5+ Kg8 17.Qh5 1-0

Tsatsalashvili,Keti (2240) - Gorti,Akshita (2186) [E03]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (8), 2015-11-22

1.d4 e6 2.c4 Nf6 3.g3 d5 4.Bg2 dxc4 5.Qa4+ Nbd7 6.Nf3 a6 7.Qxc4 b5 8.Qc2 Bb7 9.a3 c5 10.0-0 Rc8 11.Qd1 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 Be7 14.Nc3 Qb6 15.f3 0-0 16.Be3 Qb7 17.a4 b4 18.Nb1 Rfd8 19.Nd2 Nc5 20.Bg1 Ng4 21.h3 Bf6 22.N2b3 Nh6 23.Qb1 Nxb3 24.Nxb3 Qd5 25.Qd1 Qe5 26.Bd4 Qb8 27.f4 Nf5 0-1

Gorti,Akshita (2186) - Tilenbaeva,Janyl (2018) [D37]

Nov WGM Norm Manchester, NH (9), 2015-11-23

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 Be7 5.Bf4 c6 6.e3 0-0 7.Bd3 Nbd7 8.0-0 a6 9.b3 b5 10.Qc2 bxc4 11.bxc4 a5 12.Ne5 Nxe5 13.dxe5 Nh5 14.Bxh7+ Kh8 15.Bd3 dxc4 16.Bxc4 Ba6 17.Bxa6 Rxa6

18.Qe2 Nxf4 19.Qxa6 Bb4 20.exf4 Bxc3 21.Rac1 Bd2 22.Rfd1 Bxc1 23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.g3 Bd2 25.Qxc6 Bb4 26.Qc7 Rf8 27.Kg2 g6 28.Kf3 Kg7 29.Ke4 Be1 30.a3 Rh8 31.h4 Bxf2 32.Kf3 Be1 33.Qc1 1-0

WGM Norm Tournament

	PLAYER		RATING	1		2		3		4		5		6	
1	**WGM Keti Tsatsalashvili**	GEO	2240			+	0	0	0	1	-	1	0.5	1	0.5
2	**Janyl Tilenbaeva**	KGZ	2018	-	1			0	0	0	+	-	0	0	0
3	**FM Akshita Gorti**	USA	2186	1	1	1	1			0	1	0	1	0.5	0.5
4	**WGM Yanira Vigoa**	CUB	2245	0	-	1	-	1	0			0.5	-	0.5	0
5	**WIM Shayesteh Ghaderpour**	IRI	2198	0	0.5	+	1	1	0	0.5	+			0.5	0.5
6	**WGM Ana Benderac**	SRB	2235	0	0.5	1	1	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	0.5	0.5		

Cumulative Score by Round

	PLAYER		RATING	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
1	**WGM Keti Tsatsalashvili**	GEO	2240	1	2	2	3	4	4.5	4.5	4.5	5.5	6		
2	**Janyl Tilenbaeva**	KGZ	2018	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2		
3	**FM Akshita Gorti**	USA	2186	0	0	1	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7		
4	**WGM Yanira Vigoa**	CUB	2245	0.5	1.5	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3		
5	**WIM Shayesteh Ghaderpour**	IRI	2198	1	2	2.5	2.5	3	4	4	5	5.5	6		
6	**WGM Ana Benderac**	SRB	2235	0.5	0.5	1.5	2	2.5	3	4	5	5.5	6		

Portsmouth Open

Portsmouth - January 16 - 17, 2016

The Portsmouth Open attracted 45 players in two sections. The Open winner with a perfect score was GM Alexander Ivanov (left photo, receiving his prize money from tournament director Alex Relyea), and the U1750 winner with 3.5 points was Robert Kaminsky (right).

Sage,Tim (2133) - French,Albert (1921) [A96]

Portsmouth Open (1), 2016-01-16

1.d4 e6 2.c4 f5 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 Be7 5.Nf3 d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 Ne4 8.Qd3 Nxc3 9.bxc3 Nc6 10.e4 e5 11.dxe5 Nxe5 12.Qd5+ Kh8 13.Nxe5 dxe5 14.exf5 Qxd5 15.cxd5 Rxf5 16.Be3 Rf8 17.Rab1 Bd6 18.c4 b6 19.c5 bxc5 20.Rfc1 Bf5 21.Rb3 Rfb8 22.Bxc5 Rxb3 23.axb3 Kg8 24.Kf1 Kf8 25.Ke1 Ke7 26.Kd2 a5 27.Bxd6+ Kxd6 28.Rc6+ Kd7 29.Bf1 Ra7 30.Kc3 Kd8 31.Rc5 Kd7 32.Rb5 Kd6 33.Bc4 Be4 34.Rb8 c6 35.dxc6 Bxc6 36.Rd8+ Kc5 37.h4 Rc7 38.g4 Bf3 39.g5 h6 40.gxh6 gxh6 41.Re8 e4 42.Re5+ Kd6 43.Re6+ Kc5 44.Rxh6 Ra7 45.h5 Re7 46.Rf6 Bg4 47.Rf4 Bf3 48.h6 Rh7 49.Rf6 e3 50.Rxf3 Rxh6 51.fxe3 Rh5 52.Rf6 Rh1 53.Rf5+ 1-0

Bryan,Jarod (2244) - Wasdahl,David (1973) [A13]

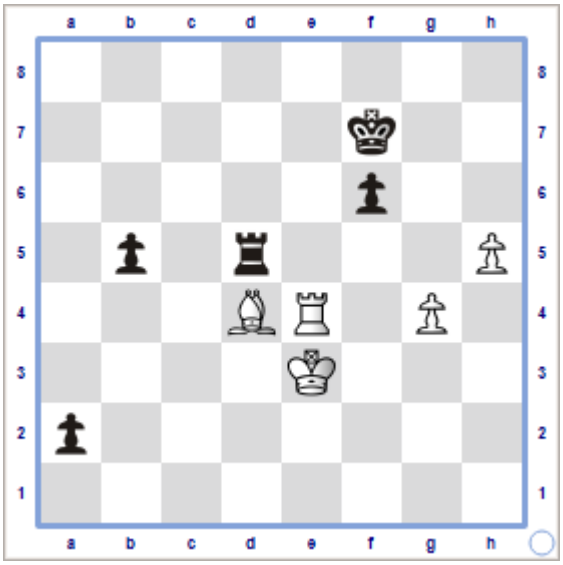
Portsmouth Open (1), 2016-01-16

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.e3 b6 4.Be2 Bb7 5.0-0 Be7 6.b3 0-0 7.Bb2 d6 8.Qc2 Nbd7 9.d3 a5 10.a3 Ng4 11.Nbd2 Qe8 12.Nd4 Nh6 13.Bf3 Bxf3 14.N2xf3 c5 15.Nb5 Qd8 16.h3 f6 17.d4 d5 18.Rad1 Rc8 19.e4 Nb8 20.Rfe1 Re8 21.dxc5 Bxc5 22.exd5 exd5 23.Rxd5 Rxe1+ 24.Nxe1 Qe7 25.Nd3 Nf7 26.Qd2 Nc6 27.Nxc5 bxc5 28.Rd7 Qe6 29.Nc7 Qf5 30.Nd5 Kf8 31.Rc7 Nfe5 32.Bxe5 fxe5 33.Kh2 Rxc7 34.Nxc7 Nd4 35.b4 e4 36.Nd5 Qe5+ 37.Kg1 cxb4 38.axb4 axb4 39.Qxb4+ Ke8 40.Qc5 Kf7 41.Qa7+ Kg6 42.Qb6+ Ne6 43.Qxe6+ Qxe6 44.Nf4+ Kf6 45.Nxe6 Kxe6 46.Kh2 g5 47.Kg3 Kd6 48.Kg4 1-0

Lee,Jeff - Wallach,Alex (1498) [D90]

Portsmouth Open, U1750 (1), 2016-01-16

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.c4 g6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.Qc2 Nc6 6.e3 0-0 7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.a3 Nxc3 9.bxc3 a6 10.Bc4 b5 11.Qe4 Qd6 12.Bb3 Bf5 13.Qh4 Bf6 14.Ng5 Bxg5 15.Qxg5 Kg7 16.0-0 h6 17.Qh4 g5 18.Qh5 Bg6 19.Qf3 Bd3 20.Re1 Na5 21.Ba2 Bc4 22.e4 Bxa2 23.Rxa2 Nc4 24.e5 Qd7 25.Rd1 c6 26.a4 Rad8 27.Qe2 Nb6 28.Rad2 Nxa4 29.Rd3 f6 30.e6 Qd5 31.Rh3 Qf5 32.Ba3 Rfe8 33.Rf3 Qd5 34.Re3 c5 35.Qh5 Rf8 36.Rh3 Qxe6 37.Qxh6+ Kf7 38.Qh7+ Ke8 39.Qg6+ Qf7 40.Qe4 Nxc3 41.Qc6+ Rd7 42.Rxc3 Qd5 43.Qxd5 Rxd5 44.Bxc5 Kf7 45.Ra3 Rfd8 46.Rad3 e5 47.f3 Ke6 48.Kf2 R5d7 49.Ke3 exd4+ 50.Rxd4 Rd5 51.Re4+ Kf5 52.g4+ Kg6 53.Rxd5 Rxd5 54.Bd4 Rd6 55.f4 gxf4+ 56.Kxf4 a5 57.h4 a4 58.h5+ Kf7 59.Kf5 Rd5+ 60.Kf4 a3 61.Ke3 a2



62.h6? (62.Bb2 Rd1 63.Rf4 maintains White's edge.) 62…Rxd4 63.Rxd4 a1Q 64.Rd7+ Kg6 65.h7 Qe5+ 66.Kd3 Qe8 67.Re7 Qh8 68.Kc3 Qxh7 69.Rxh7 Kxh7 70.Kb4 Kg6 71.Kxb5 Kg5 72.Kc4 Kxg4 73.Kd3 Kf3 74.Kd2 Kf2 75.Kd3 f5 76.Kd4 f4 77.Kd3 f3 78.Kd2 Kg2 0-1

Lee,John - Barclay,Oliver (1612) [D37]

Portsmouth Open, U1750 (1), 2016-01-16

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 e6 4.Bf4 Nf6 5.Nf3 Nbd7 6.e3 g6 7.Bd3 Bg7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Ng4 10.c5 e5 11.Nxe5 Ngxe5 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Bc2 Qe7 14.b4 Nf3+ 15.Qxf3 Bxc3 16.Re2 Bxa1 17.Bd6 Qf6 18.Qg3 Bc3 19.Bxf8 Bxb4 20.h3 Kxf8 21.e4 Qa1+ 22.Kh2 Bxc5 23.e5 Bd7 24.Qh4 Kg8 25.Bd3 Qd4 26.f4 Qxd3 27.Rb2 Qd4 28.Rb1 Bf5 29.Rf1 Qd2 30.Kg3 Be4 31.f5 Qxg2+ 32.Kf4 Qxf1+ 0-1

Barclay,Alan (317) - Blaney,Ben (1518) [C47]

Portsmouth Open, U1750 (2), 2016-01-16

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d3 Bc5 5.Be3 Bxe3 6.fxe3 d6 7.d4 Bg4 8.Be2 0-0 9.h3 Bh5 10.Nh2 Bg6 11.Qd3 Nb4 12.Qc4 Nxc2+ 13.Kd2 Nxa1 14.Rxa1 Nxe4+ 15.Kc2 Nxc3+ 16.Kxc3 Qg5 17.Nf1 Qxg2 18.Re1 Qxh3 19.Qxc7 Rac8 20.Qxc8 Rxc8+ 21.Kb3 exd4 22.Rd1 Bc2+ 23.Ka3 Bxd1 24.Bxd1 Qxf1 25.Bg4 Qd3+ 26.b3 Rc5 27.Kb4 Qc3+ 28.Ka4 Ra5# 0-1

Barclay,Oliver - Barkey,Dale Paul [E81]

Portsmouth Open, U1750 (2), 2016-01-16

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.f3 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Be3 e5 8.d5 Nh5 9.Qd2 Qh4+ 10.Bf2 Qd8 11.Nge2 f5 12.Ng3 Nf6 13.exf5 gxf5 14.Bd3 f4 15.Nge4 Nbd7 16.Rg1 Nxe4 17.Nxe4 Nf6 18.g3 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Qf6 20.gxf4 Qxf4 21.Be3 Qh4+ 22.Rg3 Kh8 23.0-0-0 Bf5 24.Rdg1 Bxe4 25.Rg4 Qf6 26.fxe4 Rf7 27.Rg6 Qf3 28.Bxh6 Bxh6 29.Rxh6+ Rh7 30.Rxh7+ Kxh7 31.Qe1 Qf4+ 32.Kb1 Rf8 33.Qe2 Rf6 34.Qg2 1-0

Wallach,Alex (1498) - Hankard,James (1600) [B27]

Portsmouth Open, U1750 (2), 2016-01-16

1.e4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.d4 c5 4.c3 cxd4 5.cxd4 Qb6 6.Nc3 a6 7.Bc4 e6 8.0-0 Ne7 9.Bb3 0-0 10.Be3 Qa5 11.Qd2 b5 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nxe7+ Qxe7 14.Bh6 f6 15.Bxg7 Qxg7

16.a4 Bb7 17.d5 e5 18.d6+ Kh8 19.Bd5 Nc6 20.axb5 axb5 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.Rc1 Qf8 23.Bxc6 Bxc6 24.Qd3 Ra2 25.h4 Qa8 26.Qb3 Kg7 27.Qc3 Qe8 28.Qb3 Ra4 29.Nd2 Rd4 30.Qe3 Rxd6 31.f3 h6 32.g4 Qe6 33.Kf2 f5 34.gxf5 gxf5 35.Rg1+ Kh7 36.exf5 Qxf5 37.Ke2 Rd4 38.Qa3 b4 39.Qb3 Bd5 40.Qe3

Spot The Tactic #1

40…Rxh4 41.Qc5 Qf7 42.Qc2+ Kh8 43.Qc8+ Kh7 44.Qc2+ Kh8 45.Qc8+ Kh7 46.Qc2+ ½-½

Gauthier,Francois (1439) - Lee,John [B27]

Portsmouth Open, U1750 (2), 2016-01-16

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Bg7 5.Be3 e5 6.Nb3 Nf6 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.Be2 0-0 9.Qd2 Nb4 10.0-0-0 Qc7 11.Bc5 d6 12.Bxd6 Qc6 13.Bxb4 Re8 14.Bb5 Qb6 15.Bxe8 Qxb4 16.a3 Qb6 17.Qd8 Bh6+ 18.Kb1 Qxf2 19.Rhf1 Qh4 20.Qxf6 Qh5 21.Bxf7+ 1-0

Deyman,George (1381) - Lee,Jeff [B30]

Portsmouth Open, U1750 (2), 18.01.2016

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 g6 4.0-0 Qc7 5.b3 Bg7 6.c3 Nf6 7.Re1 Ne5 8.Nxe5 Qxe5 9.f3 b6 10.d4 Qc7 11.e5 Nh5 12.g4 Rg8 13.Qc2 Bb7 14.Nd2 Nf4 15.Ne4 Ne6 16.d5 Bxe5 17.dxe6 Bxh2+ 18.Qxh2 Qxh2+ 19.Kxh2 fxe6 20.Bd3 0-0-0 21.Rf1 Rdf8 22.f4 Bxe4 23.Bxe4 g5 24.Kg3 h6 25.Rh1 Rh8 26.Be3 d5 27.Bc2 Kd7 28.fxg5 hxg5 29.Rxh8 Rxh8 30.Bxg5 Rf8 31.Bf4 a5 32.Be5 b5 33.Bd3 Kc6 34.Rf1 Rg8 35.Bh7 Rg5 1-0

Ramanathan,Surai (1921) - Bryan,Jarod (2245) [A42]

Portsmouth Open (3), 2016-01-17

1.d4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.e4 Nc6 5.Be3 e5 6.Nge2 f5 7.d5 Nce7 8.f3 Nf6 9.Qd2 0-0 10.0-0-0 fxe4

11.fxe4 (Freire Dos Santos, F (2193) - Santos, M (2357), Blumenau 2015 saw the clever sequence 11.Nxe4 Nf5 12.Bg5 Nxe4 13.fxe4 Qxg5 14.Qxg5 Bh6 15.Qxh6 Nxh6 before a draw was agreed on move 40.) 11…Ng4 12.Ng1 a6 13.h3 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Kh8 15.Nf3 Ng8 16.Kb1 Bh6 17.Qd3 b6 18.Qc2 Nf6 19.g4 Nxd5 20.Nxd5 Rxf3 21.Bg2 Rf7 22.Rhf1 Be6 23.Rxf7 Bxf7 24.Rf1 Be6 25.Qf2 Bg5 26.Qe2 c6 27.Nb4 a5 28.Nc2 Qg8 29.b3 a4 30.Nb4 axb3 31.axb3 b5 32.cxb5 Bxb3 33.Qb2 Qc4 34.Rf3 Qxb4 35.Rxb3 Qe1+ 36.Kc2 Qd2+ 0-1

Shounak,Mitra (1609) - Barclay,Oliver (1612) [D20]

Portsmouth Open, U1750 (3), 2016-01-17

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e3 e5 4.Bxc4 exd4 5.exd4 Bb4+ 6.Nc3 Nf6 7.Bg5 0-0 8.Nge2 Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.0-0 Qe8 11.Qb3 Bd6 12.Nb5 Nbd7 13.Nxd6 cxd6 14.Ng3 b6 15.Rfe1 d5 16.Rac1 Qg6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.Qe3 Kh8 19.Rc7 Qd8 20.Rec1 e5 21.dxe5 Nc5 22.Rc6 d4 23.Qd2

Qd5 24.Rd6 Qxa2 25.Rf1 d3 26.Qg5 Ne6 27.Qg4 Nf4 28.Rd7 Ng6 29.Nh5 Qxb2 30.Qe4 Qxe5 31.Qxe5 Nxe5 32.Rxg7 d2 33.Re7 Rfe8 34.Rxe8+ Rxe8 35.Ng3 Nf3+ 36.gxf3 Re1 0-1

Harris,Edward (1746) - Wallach,Alex (1498) [A90]

Portsmouth Open, U1750 (3), 2016-01-17

1.g3 e6 2.c4 c6 3.Bg2 d5 4.d4 Bd6 5.Nf3 f5 6.cxd5 cxd5 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Nc3 a6 9.Qb3 0-0 10.Nh4 Kh8 11.Bg5 Qc7 12.Rac1

12…Qd7? (Better is 12…Nc6) 13.Na4 Qb5 14.Nb6 Qxb3 15.axb3 Nc6 16.Nxa8 Nxd4 17.Bxf6 Nxe2+ 18.Kh1 Nxc1 19.Rxc1 gxf6 20.Nb6 d4 21.Rxc8 d3 22.Rxf8+ Bxf8 23.Nd7 d2 24.Bf3 Be7 25.Bd1 f4 26.Nf3 fxg3 27.hxg3 Bb4 28.Nxf6 b5 29.Ne4 a5 30.Nexd2 Bc5 31.Kg2 b4 32.Nc4 1-0

Gates,Nathan (1565) - Gauthier,Francois (1439) [B26]

Portsmouth Open, U1750 (3), 2016-01-17

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 d6 6.Be3 Qb6 7.Nd5 Qd8 8.c3 Nf6 9.Nxf6+ Bxf6 10.h3 Qb6 11.Qd2 0-0 12.Ne2 a5 13.0-0 Qa6 14.f4 e6 15.g4 Bg7 16.Ng3 Ne7 17.f5 exf5 18.gxf5 Be5 19.Rf3 Bxg3 20.Rxg3 Bxf5 21.exf5 Nxf5 22.Rg4 Nxe3 23.Qxe3 Rae8 24.Qf3 b6 25.Re4 Qc8 26.Rae1 Rxe4 27.Qxe4 Qd8 28.Qe7 d5 29.Qxd8 Rxd8 30.Re5 d4 31.c4 Kf8 32.Kf2 Re8 33.Rxe8+ Kxe8 34.Kg3 Ke7 35.Kf4 f6 36.h4 h6 37.Bd5 Kf8 38.h5 Kg7 39.hxg6 Kxg6 40.Be4+ Kf7 41.Kf5 Ke7 42.a4 h5 43.Bf3 h4 44.Bg4 Kf7 45.Ke4 Kg6 46.Kd5 f5 47.Bh3 f4 48.Kc6 f3 49.Kxb6 Kg5 50.Kxc5 Kf4 51.Kxd4 Kg3 52.Ke3 Kxh3 53.Kxf3 Kh2 54.Kf2 h3 55.c5 Kh1 56.c6 h2 57.b4 1-0

Botta,Alejandro (2208) - French,Albert (1921) [A40]

Portsmouth Open (4), 2016-01-17

1.d4 e6 2.Nf3 Be7 3.Nbd2 b6 4.e4 d5 5.Bd3 Bb7 6.0-0 Nf6 7.Re1 Nc6 8.c3 dxe4 9.Nxe4 Nxe4 10.Bxe4 h6 11.Ne5 Nxe5 12.Bxb7 Rb8 13.Qa4+

13…Nd7 (13…c6 puts up greater resistance, e.g., 14.Bxc6+ Nxc6 15.Qxc6+ Qd7 or 14.dxe5 Rxb7 15.Qxc6+ Qd7 or 14.Qxa7 0-0 [not 14…Qc7?? 15.Bxc6+ Qxc6 16.Qxb8+] 15.dxe5 Qc7) 14.Bc6 a6 15.d5 b5 16.Qg4 Kf8 17.dxe6 Nf6 18.Qf3 Rb6 19.Be3 Rb8 20.Rad1 Qc8 21.Ba7 1-0

Annotated Games

Brand,Stijn (1944) - Keegan,Thomas (1824)

Mass. Open, Concord MA, 2015-05

Annotated by Stijn Brand

This game was played in the Massachusettes Open in May 2015. It won the "most interesting game under 2100" award. As you will see my king ends up going to quite a walk.

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 g6 3.e3 d5 4.Nf3

I am playing a slow system against his Grunfeld set-up.

4...Nbd7 5.Nbd2 Bg7 6.Be2 O-O 7.Ne5

Occupying the important e5 square.

7...Nxe5 8.Bxe5 Nd7 9.Bxg7 Kxg7 10.Nf3

Controlling e5 once again.

10...c6 11.O-O f6

He is fighting for the control of e5, but at the cost of weakening his king.

12.c4 e5 13.cxd5 e4 14.Nd2 cxd5 15.Qb3 Nb6 16.Rac1 Be6

This is a blunder, and it costs a pawn.

17. Nxe4 dxe4 18. Qxe6 Re8 19. Qb3

White is much better now, with a protected passed pawn.

19...Re7 20. Rc5 Rc8 21.Rfc1

Preparing to exchange rooks, while keeping control of the c-file.

21...Rxc5 22.Rxc5 Rc7 23.Qc2

Again keeping control of the c-file.

23...Re7

Black is wisely avoiding more exchanges. The more pieces that come off, the easier the win will be for white.

24.Bc4 f5 25.g3

I played this quickly to stop f4. It became the source of some headaches during the game, because Black now has a target in front of my king.

25...h5

He is going for it!

26.Bb3 h4 27.a4 hxg3 28.hxg3 Kf6

Preparing the infiltration along the h-file. Here I had to start calculating a path for my king out of the trouble zone.

29.a5 Rh7 30.axb6

If the invasion along the h-file fails, Black will now be down a piece.

30...Qh8 31.Kf1

Here we go.

31...Rh1+ 32.Ke2 Qh3 33.Kd2 Qf1 34.Kc3

The king has arrived on the queenside, but his journey is not over yet.

34...axb6 35.Re5

Keeping control of the 5th rank.

35...Qa1

Rc1 is now a threat.

36.Kb4 Rc1 37.Qd2 Kg5 38.Rb5 Rc6 39.d5 Rc5

Now the rooks come off, and it is going to get harder for black to generate counter play.

40.Rxc5 bxc5+ 41.Kxc5 Qa7+ 42.Kb4 b6

Qa5 is a threat.

43.Qd4 Qa5+ 44.Kc4

There are no mates.

44...b5+ 45.Kc5 b4+ 46.Kc4 Qa6+ 47.Kxb4

And there are no perpetuals.

47...Qe2 48.d6 Qxf2 49.d7 Qe1+ 50.Kb5 Qxg3 51.d8=Q+ 1-0

And Black resigned. A fun game to play.

Wood,Chris (1949) - O'Young,Coby (1892)

NH Amateur Nashua, NH (3), 2015-11-14

Annoted by Christopher Wood

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d4 e6

By allowing d5, Black indicates a desire for a Benoni-type position instead of Symmetrical English lines.

4.d5 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.Nc3 Be7

I was happy to see the bishop developed to e7 instead of a more typical Modern Benoni setup with the bishop on g7.

7.h3

e4 was also a consideration, but due to Black's move order I wanted to stop Bg4. And White has a trick to make sure Black cannot stop e4.

7...Bf5? 8.e4

Exploiting the fact that after the trade of 1 set of minors, white can play Qa4+ picking up the second piece.

8...Bc8 9.Bd3 Nbd7 10.O-O O-O 11.Bf4

Fighting for the e5 square in addition to pressuring the d6 pawn.

11...a6 12.a4 Re8 13.Qc2 h6 14.Rfe1 Bf8 15.Bh2?!

a5 may have been more accurate, as White is willing to give up the bishop on the next move.

15...Ne5 16.Bxe5

16.Nxe5 dxe5 and it will be a while before we see white's dark square bishop again.

16... dxe5 17.Bf1 Bd6 18.Nd2 Bd7 19.Nc4

Exploiting the loose d6 bishop to grab the juicy c4 outpost, while delaying a5 for another move.

19...Qc7 20.a5

A thematic move making it as hard as possible for Black to break with b5. In retrospect, White may have been better to play this earlier.

20...Rab8 21.Na4

This was the only way I saw forward, despite the preference to keep this set of minors on the board.

21...Bxa4 22.Rxa4 Nd7 23.Ra3 Rec8 24.Qd2 Ra8 25.Rb3 Rcb8 26.Ra1 b5 27.axb6 Nxb6 28.Nxd6

28.Na5 was also a consideration.

28...Qxd6 29.Rxa6 Rxa6 30.Bxa6 Ra8 31.Be2

31.Bb5 has the advantage of preventing the Ra4 maneuver, but not something I considered during the game.

31...Ra4 32.Qe3 f5 33.exf5

33.f3 f4 34.Qf2 Ra1+ 35.Kh2 and Black may not have an immediate threat, but I didn't want to defend this type of king position in time trouble where accurate calculation is needed.

33...Nxd5

Black's initiative partially compensates for the pawn deficit.

34.Qg3 Nf4 35.Qe3

Willing to repeat at least once. Bf3 was the move I would have needed to find to fight for a small advantage. Black chooses another route however.

35...Ra1+ 36.Kh2 Re1??

Black misses a simple tactic due to time pressure.

37.Bc4+ Kh7 38.Qxe1 Qd4 39.Bf7 c4 40.Rg3

Rb8 was also a consideration, but when short on time the fact that this move also defended g2 made it preferable.

40...Qxb2 41.f6 g5

Qe4 is also coming on 41...g6.

42. Qe4+ Kh8 43. Qa8+ Kh7 44. Qg8# 1-0

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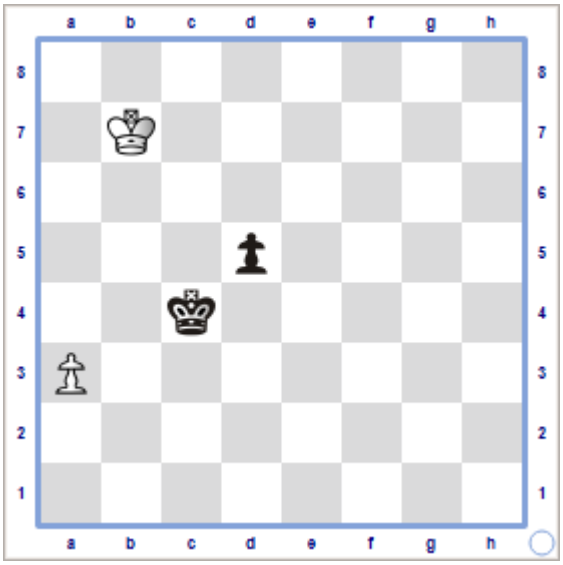
Endgame Puzzles

For both positions you have to decide on White's best sequence and whether it results in a win or a draw.



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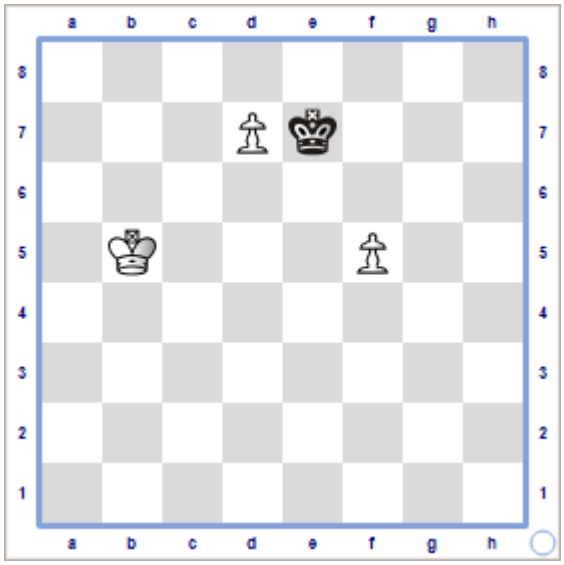

White To Move

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June 18, 2016

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Spot The Tactic and Endgame Solutions

#1 (Wallach-Hankard, Portsmouth Open):

40…Bxf3+ 41.Ke1 (41.Nxf3 Re4 or 41.Qxf3 Rxd2+) 41…Bg4 with 42…Qc2 to follow, launching a winning attack.

Endgame #1:

1.a4 d4 2.a5 d3 etc. is easy enough to see the draw, but on 1…Kb4, what then? 2.Kb6! d4 3.a5 and White escorts the pawn to the queening square, while 2…Kxa4 3.Kc5 picks up the Black pawn, in both cases also resulting in a draw.

Endgame #2:

1.Kc6 Kd8 2.Kd5! (not 2.Kd6 stalemate) 2…Kxd7 3.f6 Kd8 4.Kd6! (Taking the opposition. 4.Ke6? would only draw after 4…Ke8 5.f7+ Kf8) 4…Ke8 5.Ke6 Kf8 6.f7 Kg7 7.Ke7 and White's pawn queens. If Black tries 2…Ke7, White has the sacrifice 3.d8/Q+! diverting the Black king, and after 3…Kxd8 4.Ke6 Ke8 5.f6 Kf8 6.f7 Kg7 7.Ke7, we reach the same final position as in the main line.

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